

The Honorable Sam A. Lindsay
United States District Judge
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Honorable Sam A. Lindsay,

My name is Jonathan Sidote. I am an activist from New Jersey. I have worked with and for a variety of organizations in regards to many issues the American public are faced with. These endeavors have introduced me to a large and diverse number of people from all walks of life, including journalists of every pedigree.

Among those journalists whose work I have the honor to become acquainted with is Barrett Brown. I have never had the pleasure of meeting Mr. Brown but have read many of his articles and have followed his work and research online. His work has greatly furthered my understanding of the relationship between the government and private intelligence firms and their actions.

While there are certainly many great journalists out there, few possess Mr. Brown's unique ability to combine intellect and humor and transfer them onto your computer screen. His work is invaluable and refreshing in the face of the stale and dogmatic releases by far too many who assume the title of journalist, but lack the skill or bravery to make a dent in the manner that Barrett has.

I sincerely hope you grant him time served and choose to be as lenient as possible so that members of the public such as myself can get back to enjoying his work on a more regular basis and so that Barrett can resume being a productive member of society.

Sincerely,

Jonathan Sidote

